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Re: Cornell-Dubilier Electronics Site, South Plainfield, New Jersey Proposed Schedule for the On-site Building and Soils Operable Unit Feasiblity Study

Dear Mr. Sundram:

As you discussed with Michael Last, Esq., ENVIRON recently provided Peter Mannino of USEPA with a draft schedule for the Feasibility Study for on-site soils and buildings at the above-referenced site. I have enclosed for your reference a copy of this schedule.

The enclosed schedule was prepared to ensure that the collaboration between USEPA and the Hamilton Industrial Park Group (HIPG) on the Feasibility Study will result in a productive and timely work product. With this goal in mind, the schedule reflects the working group process involving USEPA and its contractor, Foster-Wheeler Corporation (F-W), and the HIPG and its consultant, ENVIRON. In particular, the schedule presents recommended interim milestones for Working Group meetings to allow for timely input and resolution of questions or concerns with Feasibility Study elements as they are developed, rather than waiting for final draft work products to be reviewed and commented on by the Working Group participants and outside parties (e.g., NJDEP). It is anticipated that to reduce USEPA's budget pressures, these meetings can be held at F-W's offices. Further, a determination regarding the need for any of the scheduled meetings can be made by USEPA and HIPG in consultation with each other (i.e., if there are no significant issues to be discussed, then the meeting would be eliminated from the schedule).

Please call me at (609) 243-9859 if you should have any questions regarding the information presented in the enclosed schedule.

Sincerely.

. Mark Nielsen, P.E.

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July 2, 2001

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Mr. Peter Mannino
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Re: Cornell Dubilier Superfund Site/Hamilton Industrial Park, South Plainfield, New Jersey FS Working Group

Dear Mr. Mannino:

Consistent with our discussions, I am enclosing a draft schedule for the Feasibility Study, which incorporates the working group process involving USEPA and its contractor, Foster-Wheeler Corporation (F-W), and the Hamilton Industrial Park Group (HIPG) and its consultant, ENVIRON International Corporation (ENVIRON). We have developed this schedule to ensure that we have agreement on the process for the FS Working Group, so that the working group effort results in a productive and timely work product consistent with our joint commitments to the community.

In developing this schedule, I have maintained (a) the primary deliverable milestone for the Feasibility Study as it is defined on Table 4-1 of the March 2000 Final Work Plan for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (i.e., submission of the draft FS Report 90 days after the Final RI Report submittal) and (b) the timeframes for completing the Remedial Alternatives Technical Memorandum and the Remedial Alternatives Evaluation Memorandum. Note that the schedule does not match the exact milestones for the submittal of the two draft memoranda, since it is not possible to honor these milestones and also meet the primary deliverable milestone for the draft FS Report (i.e., with USEPA review times the total timeframe for these memoranda exceeds 90 days). In addition, this schedule reflects our current plan to conduct the initial FS Working Group meeting on July 12, 2001. Finally, I have shown separately those activities that USEPA, F-W and the HIPG would be performing as part of the FS Working Group, as well as recommended interim milestones for FS Working Group meetings. These meetings are scheduled so as to be optimally efficient and effective.

In preparation for our meeting on July 12, 2001 to discuss the screening of potentially applicable remedial technologies identified by USEPA/F-W and HIPG, I wanted to reiterate our prior comments on the *Data Evaluation Report* that pertain to our ability to fully assess the practicability of identified alternative technologies. Specifically, we believe that the following information is important to the remedial technology evaluation:

- Information on the nature of the fill material/debris encountered during the soil boring and test pit excavation activities. It is expected that this additional information would be available in the form of detailed written descriptions, field logs and/or photographs.
- Information on the layout of the underground utilities present on the site (e.g., based on discussions with Elizabethtown Water Company in 1999, HIPG understands that a 36-inch water main transects the site, although accurate mapping of the location of this pipe is not available).

Please call me if you would like to discuss the enclosed schedule prior to our July 12, 2001 meeting.

Sincerely,

J. Mark Nielsen, P.E.

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